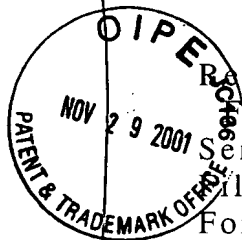


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FEE CALCULATION: No Additional Fees Due. Upon entry of the below amendment, the total number claims will be 20 or less, and the number of independent claims will be 3 or less.

AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 29, 2001,
please amend the application as follows:

REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH(S), SECTION(S) AND CLAIM(S):

In the Claims:

1. An interactive pet device, said device comprising:
a first plate having a top side, a bottom side and a peripheral wall extending therebetween, said peripheral wall of said first plate having an annular channel therein;
a plurality of balls, each of said balls being rotatably inserted in said annular channel such that said balls may roll about said first plate in said channel;